

Stratham Conservation Commission  
Meeting Minutes Wednesday April 27, 2011

Members Present: Pat Elwell, Donna Jensen, Bob Keating, Dan McAuliffe, Edie Barker, Brad Jones, Dena Stern, Allison Knab

Also present: Lincoln Daley, Scott Gove, Alexis Makris, Doug Greiner, Jamie Long, Sharon Summers, Theresa Walker, Roger Stephenson

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

Alexis Makris, Makris Real Estate Development, initiated a group presentation regarding the Open Space Cluster Subdivision, 32 Bunker Hill Avenue preliminary design layout. Doug Greiner, landscape architect, addressed the hammer head design concept with features of more open space corridors, less paved surface, slower traffic and the feeling of two neighborhoods within one. This plan has not yet been approved by the Planning Board. The majority of the lots are 1/2-1/3 acre with 19.3 acres ((50.7%) remaining open. There is a consideration for a community garden or other function that will serve the neighborhood, perhaps a bus stop, on the land that currently has the Foss home on it. Jamie Long presented on the soil, forest features, wetlands and wildlife, and is satisfied that impact is not an issue. Pat questioned how he could be certain about the wildlife impact since the assessment was done in December. Jamie commented on animal tracks in the snow and reiterated he was reasonably sure open space would be left intact for wildlife. There will be a homeowners association. The Conservation Commission will provide a favorable memo to the Planning Board regarding this preliminary design.

Theresa Walker, Rockingham Planning Commission, had some final questions for the Conservation Commission regarding the Natural Resource Inventory. Theresa will look for grant money for future CC projects. Members will look for Stratham photos for inclusion on the website.

Brad moved, Allison seconded moving into non-public session. Motion passed.

Following non-public session Edie moved, Allison seconded coming out of non-public session and sealing the minutes. Motion passed.

Review of Clean-up Day. A drawing was held and Chris West held the winning ticket for the compost bin. Dan moved, Dena seconded reimbursing Edie \$70.94 for Clean-up day refreshments. Motion passed.

Discussion of sign to be placed on the Scamman property to identify that the town was a partner in the conservation of the property. Edie moved, Donna seconded the motion to pay for half of the sign with cost not to exceed \$500. Motion Passed.

Dan moved, Bob seconded paying a bill of \$58.39 to Infinite Imaging for the flyers for clean-up day. Motion Passed.

Allison moved, Edie seconded acceptance of the 1/26/11 minutes. Motion passed.  
The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Submitted by Dena Stern

The next Conservation Commission meeting is May 11.